



Mansfield ISD District of Innovation
District Advisory Committee
Minutes

Thursday, March 4, 2021

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Via Zoom

Facilitator: Jennifer Young, MISD Chief Innovation Officer

Time Keeper: David Wright, MISD Assistant Superintendent of Student Services

Minutes: Shelly Butler, Principal-Mansfield Legacy High School

Discussion Items

The MISD District of Innovation Advisory Committee Meeting started at 5:30 PM with the introduction of Committee Members. Each committee member introduced himself or herself and stated their role within the district.

Chief Innovation Officer Jennifer Young shared a presentation from the school board meeting held on December 15, 2020 describing the current MISD DOI plan along with a timeline for implementation. Assistant Superintendent of HR, Jennifer Stoecker, and Ben Barber/Frontier High School Principal Cathy Hudgins shared information regarding current DOI plan exemptions specifically certification of teachers in specialty programs. Assistant Superintendent David Wright explained the process for calendar planning for the school year and the need for flexibility when planning the first and last day of instruction. Jennifer Young shared the Jandrucko Early Learners Academy use of a social worker in lieu of a certified school counselor as an exemption MISD has used under the current DOI plan.

Jennifer Young asked the committee if there were any questions. There were no questions.

Jennifer Young asked the committee to consider next steps and five considerations in preparation for the next committee meeting.

1. 22:1 student to teacher ratio in elementary classrooms waiver. Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Stoecker explained how this waiver could be used within our district.

2. Attendance for credit, for a grade. Director of Student Services Gary Gates explained options for providing credit to students with flexibility for TEA daily attendance requirements.
3. Teacher Appraisal (TTESS) Exemption. Jennifer Young explained the possibility of the district utilizing an alternative appraisal document for teachers/administrators.
4. Campus Behavior Coordinator. Jennifer Young explained that our campuses currently assign one assistant principal to serve as the Campus Discipline Coordinator.
5. District and Campus Decision Making Groups. Jennifer Young explained that our district currently hosts a DEIC at the district level and the site-based committee process at the campus level.

Jennifer Young asked committee members to read the Texas Education Code (TEC) related to the five considerations and be prepared to discuss the code in our next meeting to be held on March 25, 2021 at 5:30 PM via Zoom.

Jennifer Young asked the committee if there were any other questions or a need for clarification from our committee discussions. There were no questions asked or a need for clarification.

Jennifer Young stated that she would send the Zoom link along with a link for the TEC codes for the next meeting to all committee members.

The meeting adjourned at 6:12 PM.